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In re application of:

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For:

PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING AND UTILIZING GAS

FROM WASTE MATERIALS

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 12, delete the word "SUMMARY" at the top and the word "(Figure)" at the bottom, and insert the term -- Abstract-- at the top.

In the Claims:

In claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 3" and insert --claim 1--.

In claim 5, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 4" and insert --claim 1--.

In claim 6, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 5" and insert --claim 1--.

In claim 7, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 6" and insert --claim 5--.

In claim 9, line 1, delete "one of the claims 1 to 8" and insert --claim 5--.

In claim 10, line 1, delete "claims 5 to 9" and insert --claim 5--.

In claim 11, line 1, delete "one of the claims 5 to 10" and insert --claim 5--.